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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated May 31, 2005, for which a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set for August 31, 2005. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this document.